March 2026 Harbor Learning Center (HLC) Newsletter

Feb/March/April Calendar

Feb 27 Basket Bingo 6-8 PM (see information below)
March 4 Early Release @ 12:45 PM for District Wide Collaboration
March 12 and 13 NO CLASSES due to Spring SLC's (**see below for SLC schedule)**
March 20 Potential Weather Make Up Day/Potential day off
March 30 State ELA and Math testing starts
April 6-10 Spring Break
April 15 Early Release @ 12:45 PM for District Wide Collaboration

Principal's Message: Spring SLC's are coming! Contact your student's advisory teacher to get your conference scheduled!

Wednesday, March 11

- Regular School Day 8:10 AM-2:45 PM
- Conferences from 4-7:30 PM
- Family Night 5-7 PM

Thursday, March 12

- NO CLASSES
- Conferences from 1-4:30 PM and 5-7:30PM

Friday, March 13

- NO CLASSES
- Conferences 9-11:30 AM

Snug Harbor Basket Bingo

Our traditional yearly fundraising benefiting our Snug Harbor Day Care and Teen Parenting Program is on February 27 at Immanuel Baptist Church in Hoquiam. Doors open 5:45 PM Spaghetti Dinner is $5 and starts at 6 PM. Bingo starts at 6:30 and goes until 8 PM. Bingo Cards are $1 each. Lots of Silent auction items will be available as well. Join us for a fun evening for a good cause.

State testing

The testing season is here! **ALL** of our HLC students- Harbor Jr/Sr High, Open Doors/GED, and GHA online students **MUST** take our state assessment, the Smarter Balance. Grades 3-8 and Grade 10 must take the Math and ELA state tests. Additionally, Grade 5, 8 and 11 must take the state science test. Juniors and Seniors must take the math and/or ELA state tests if they need it for their graduation requirements. **State testing starts March 30th!**

HLC New School- Work with the TCF Architecture Firm on the design for our new school continues. Funded with targeted dollars from our state through a Seismic Grant, our school relocates to the grassy field adjacent to the AHS student parking lot/across the street West from St. Mary's. View the images of our new building- inside and out in the lobby outside the main office.

Counseling Office message- Kasi Turner kturner@asd5.org

SCHOOLINKS: Don't forget to do your SchooLinks activities! SchooLinks is a required new program that is used statewide. It connects the students' High School and Beyond Plan from school to school across the state. All students, even Grays Harbor Academy, need to do SchooLinks. What does that mean? It means that if a student moves from one school to another, **anywhere in Washington State**, their information will follow them. This is great for student progress and tracking their future and current plans. As the School Counselor, I find this very exciting because students are able to track credits, graduation requirements and learn about their options for college and/or a career. ***SENIORS:*** Come see me to get information about financial aid and scholarships. There are several scholarships that are open and FAFSA opened on October 1. We are starting to plan for graduation. Make sure you meet with me about your graduation plans. ***SKYWARD:*** Students will continue to track their class progress in Skyward. Make sure you click on the "P" to see how many points your student has in each class. Students must complete a contract with a teacher for 100 points to earn a .5 credit. Having trouble with Skyward? Check with me, the secretaries, or Amy Moyer in the computer lab. Do you have questions about your student's progress toward graduation? Give me a call or stop by.

Does your student need someone to listen and assist with problem solving? I can do that, too. I can also assist students in accessing BHR counseling services. We have LOTS of seniors this year, so I will be busy making sure each of our seniors has an individual plan to complete their high school graduation requirements. - Kasi Turner - School Counselor - kturner@asd5.org - 360-538-2186

HLC Online Classes

If you are attending the Harbor Learning Center and curious about online classes, feel free to contact Robert or Kasi. If you are looking for a challenge, Edgenuity offers Advanced Placement and honors classes. We also offer world languages (Spanish, French, German, Latin, Chinese, or ASL Sign Language); upper level science classes like physical science, environmental science, chemistry, physics, or astronomy; and math, including Algebra 2, Trigonometry, Statistics, or Pre-Calculus. We also offer psychology, sociology, and economics. If you're interested, please feel free to reach out to Robert or Kasi to explore some options.

Advisory

Advisory is a class students attend **every day.** Our 9-12 students earn points in advisory just like their other classes and earn elective credits. There are **REQUIRED** activities in Advisory, and students are expected to complete them just like they would complete assignments in their other classes. This class is where students access SchoolLinks activities referenced by our counselor, Kasi, in her newsletter section. Like the 24-25 school year, HLC is hosting clubs and projects twice a week during advisory. Students sign up for the club or project they want to do. We started clubs/projects after Student Led Conferences, and clubs/projects occur on Mondays and Wednesdays. Please make sure you are connecting with your student's advisory teacher to set up your Spring Student Led Conference.

Graduating Senior Information!

Reminder, if your graduating senior is interested in participating in the AHS Annual All Night Safe and Sober Party on Friday, June 5, a senior parent/guardian fundraiser meeting was held at 6 PM at Duffy's restaurant. The remaining meetings are typically monthly at the same time and place. To volunteer or get more information you can email seniorparentsof2026@gmail.com or pick up a flyer at the HLC. You may also scan the QR code to join the Facebook group for more information.

Cap and Gown Information

The Harbor Learning Center Graduation is **Thursday, June 4th, at 6:00 PM.** Our plan is to have our HLC Graduation Ceremony at Stewart Field. By having our ceremony on the soccer/football field, we no longer limit the number of family/friends/guests that each student can invite. Students can purchase caps and gowns to keep from Jostens OR borrow a cap and gown that needs to be returned. This ceremony recognizes Harbor High Graduates, Grays Harbor Academy Graduates, Open Doors Graduates, and GED earners. **All must wear a cap and gown during the ceremony. We have ordering information available outside the counseling office.**

ASB (Associated Student Body) Activities!

ASB is working with one of our students for her Senior Project which is a prom. We will be having a prom for HLC students in May. If you are interested in volunteering for the Prom Committee, please see Angel to sign up. Valentine Candy Gram sales was a huge success. We were able to raise money to help pay for prom. Leprechaun trap contest coming up in March! Stay tuned for details in morning announcements.

After School Program

Does your student want some one on one help for their classes? The After School Program has multiple staff members ready to help! Some teachers are even giving students extra points for completing work in the After School Program. Students from Harbor JR/SR High, Grays Harbor Academy, and Open Doors are invited to pop in, grab a snack, and hang out! We are here Monday-Thursday 3-4PM. For any questions, please reach out to Emma Wimberley at ewimberley@asd5.org. This is a great place for students from all of our programs to get tutoring, enjoy arts and crafts, do STEM activities, and get a snack!

Technology message- Amy Moyer

Technology and the Library are power tools that can help you learn, create, and explore the world. Using them responsibly makes it a safe place for everyone. When using your school devices remember to stay focused on learning and please protect your personal information.

The library resource center is here if you need a quiet place to work or a place to create posters or other projects for your classes. We have poster paper and art supplies available for you to use.

Don't forget that we have over 50 new books. So, come check them out. Literally.

Open Doors/GED Program -

Every month the GED program gets busier and busier! We currently have 95+ students enrolled in our Open Doors Program. We have been incredibly successful this year and 14 students graduated already- some with their GED and others with their high school diploma! Others are ready to test (and graduate) as soon as they get their state issued ID. To qualify for the GED program you must: 1) Have turned 16 before September 1st of the current school year and 2) Be significantly behind in credits.

Last school year, 40 students completed their GED and 8 completed their High School Diploma. If this is something you or your student are interested in, please reach out to our GED mentors Emma Wimberley (ewimberley@asd5.org) and Brittni Leitch (bleitch@asd5.org) or text us at 360-986-0122.

Student Meals Our school serves free breakfast and free lunch to all of our Harbor Jr/Sr High students. Students attending our After School Program will also be getting a snack. Grays Harbor Academy students are also welcome to eat lunch when they are on campus. We serve breakfast until 10 AM so students arriving late can still get breakfast.

Grays Harbor Academy Information

Welcome to second semester! We are more than halfway through the school year, and we are now closer to the end of the year than from the beginning. Everyone should be enrolled in and working on classes now. If not, please reach out to Robert, and we will get that fixed. Please tend to these carefully as these are non-negotiable terms for continued enrollment in an Alternative Learning Experience program (ALE).

Enrollment in GHA is readily open throughout the semester; however, *students who enroll late will still need to complete the entire courses from the beginning*. Since time is quickly passing, late enrollments will end up with fewer classes, and that can put a high schooler behind in credits. **With the exception of grades K-5, we cannot waive coursework for online students.**

In grades 7-12, we are using a new program this year called School Links, it can be accessed through Clever. This program helps students prepare for the High School and Beyond Plan, which is a graduation requirement.

Grays Harbor Academy Information, continued

There will be periodic tasks to complete throughout the school year. Currently, there are a plethora of assignments that should be completed. We will be calling parents to have kids come in to get this completed. Please let Robert or Kasi know if you need help finding these. The decision was made to make SchooLinks a pass/fail class. **Students in grades 7-12 will have that in their schedules and be earning a grade for it this semester.**

Graduating Seniors and even Juniors: The ASVAB is an excellent opportunity to help you meet your ELA and/or Math proficiency for graduation! This is in addition to earning all of your credits and the high school and beyond plan. The next ASVAB will be Thursday, February 26th at the Harbor Learning Center. Please arrive by 8:45, as the test begins promptly at 9. No late entries will be allowed. Robert and Kasi will let you know when these are available. Otherwise, you need to rely on passing the Smarter Balance Assessment in the spring.

Grays Harbor Academy FAMILY PORTAL- HOW TO KEEP TRACK OF YOUR CHILD'S PROGRESS
To access the Family Portal, click "Add Guardian" on the student dashboard. You will need to input your name, email, phone number, and create a username and password. After initial setup, you can log in any time to review your student's progress, send messages to teachers, etc.

GHA: Who to contact?

Online Support Teacher/Coordinator **Robert Sutlovich** rsutlovich@asd5.org Call: (360) 538-2180, ext 3303 Text or Call: (360) 581-1154	Parent meetings/communication Student Learning Plans Weekly check-ins Monthly progress reports Conferences Course Enrollments/Schedules/Grades Senior outreach for HSBP Student 504 Plans
MTSS Paras **David Bennett** dbennett@asd5.org Call: (360) 538-2180, ext 3327 **Aaron Doull** adoull@asd5.org Call: (360) 538-2180, ext 3328 **Jacob Borden** jborden@asd5.org	Student help sessions Printing for parents Workbook disbursement Tech Troubleshooting i-Ready testing
Kasi Turner Counselor kturner@asd5.org 360-538-2186	Credits Graduation plans
Amy Moyer, MTSS Assistant amoyer@asd5.org 360-538-2180, ext 3333	Computer check-outs/check-ins Technology Support
Alison Cline, Special Education Teacher acline@asd5.org (360) 538-2180, ext 3315	Imagine Edgenuity Questions IEP's